



PLANNING COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

MEETING SUMMARY

Regular bi-monthly meeting
Thursday, October 6, 2016, 6:30pm
City of Sammamish Council Chambers

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Frank Blau, *Pos. 6, Chair*
Shanna Collins, *Pos. 3, Vice-Chair*
Eric Brooks, *Pos. 1*
Philip Cherian, *Pos. 5*
Larry Crandall, *Pos. 4*
Nancy Anderson, *Pos. 7*

Absent:

STAFF PRESENT

Tawni Dalziel, Senior Stormwater Program Manager
Tammy Mueller, Administrative Research Assistant

CONSULTANTS PRESENT

Wayne Carlson, AHBL

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Frank Blau called the Sammamish Planning Commission meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
Chair notified the Commission that Brian Garvey, Position 2, has resigned.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Shanna Collins motioned; seconded – **Approved 5:0**

The Agenda was approved as read.

Commissioner Brooks joined the meeting after this vote was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: No minutes submitted for approval.

NON-AGENDA and AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT: (3 Min Individual / 5 Min Representative Non-Agenda, 7 minutes Agenda)

Chair allowed for agenda comment during this time.

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- Paul Stickney, 504 228th Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA Time: 6:35pm
 - Topic: KCSWDM & LID, add language to specify leniency toward City/public projects
- Mary Wictor, 408 208th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA Time: 6:42pm
 - Topic: earthquake zones and steep slopes, 2009 – 2016 KCSWDM changes
Documents submitted: Critical Areas (City of Bellevue website), Bellevue Development Services Handout CA-2, maps of earthquake hazard zones

Public Comment Closed

OLD BUSINESS

Surface Water Design Manual Update – Public Hearing

Tawni Dalziel, Senior Stormwater Program Manager addressed the public comment and presented documents of the proposed 2016 Sammamish Addendum, supporting reference maps, proposed changes

to SMC 13.10, and a deliberation table to the Commission. Referenced documents are located in the packet ([link to packet documents](#)).

Staff and Commission commenced discussion:

- Regarding Paul Stickney's comments and response from Tawni Dalziel and Wayne Carlson regarding leniency with KCSWDM and LID requirements for public benefit project, the Commission had concern regarding the language which would be used to address the issue and its potential for ambiguity. It was proposed, since there is already wording allowing administrative leniency, that Staff collect data on how many use cases there would be and address the issue at a later point should there prove to be data supporting its adoption.

The open public hearing from 9/15/2016 continued.

Public Hearing Comment –Surface Water Design Manual Update (7 Minutes)

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- Sharon Steinbis, 24933 SE 14th Street, Sammamish, WA Time: 7:13pm
 - Topic: True sense of place in Sammamish
- Mary Wictor, 408 208th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA Time: 7:17pm
 - Topic: Steep slopes, maps used in manual, clear & grade restrictions, LID, drainage review, detention pipes
- Jan Bird, 3310 221st Ave. SE, Sammamish, WA Time: 7:22pm
 - Topic: Stormwater ponds, erosion hazard landslide areas

Chair closed the public Hearing on the Surface Water Design Manual.

Deliberation of the Surface Water Design Manual commenced:

- Regarding chapter 5: flow control design, pointed out that the majority of criteria are based on ponds, not vaults, which was a concern.
 - Staff recommended that the City Council address criteria for vaults should they be deemed necessary.
 - The Commission requested the addition of definitions surrounding vaults along with vault height criteria.
- Requested a map showing multiple overlays including landslide hazard areas, steep slopes, and others (as dictated by Mary Wictor) within the Addendum.
- Requested clarification for how LID requirements would be enforced by the City across multiple property owners over time.
 - Staff clarified that page 30, number 8, J-O of the Addendum addresses this concern.
 - Commission requested additional clarification of new property owner responsibilities.
 - Staff added that educational opportunities would be made available for the public.
 - Commission requested that the public outreach include information that LID is something that can be undertaken at any time, not just for development or redevelopment projects.
 - Commission requested clarity for inspection requirements for property owners.
 - Staff responded that they do not have inspection requirements for LIDs implemented by property owners which were not required by the City (e.g. bioretention).
- Suggested that Staff support the Commission's request to City Council to collect stormwater data, including usage of rain gauges around City to determine actual annual rainfall across City.
- Commission recognized that proper data collection and implementation of the new stormwater requirements may require additional City staff, stating an intention to make this recommendation to the City Council during their handoff.

Motion to recommend adoption: Shanna Collins motioned to recommend adoption; seconded.

Approved 6:0

The Planning Commission made a recommendation to adopt the proposed 2016 King County Surface Water Design Manual, 2016 Sammamish Addendum, and related proposed changes to the SMC with an

amendment to Chapter 5, Flow Control Design including a height restriction of 6 feet for stormwater detention vaults.

OLD BUSINESS

Low Impact Development (LID) Code Amendments – Work Session

Tawni Dalziel, Senior Stormwater Program Manager stated that this item would be moved to the October 20, 2016 regular meeting.

Public Comment – Agenda (7 Minutes)

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- Mary Wictor, 408 208th Ave. NE, Sammamish, WA Time: 7:58pm
 - Topic: LID, height requirements, weed barriers as impervious surface, code critiques

Public Comment Closed

Motion to Adjourn: Shanna Collins motioned to adjourn; seconded. **Approved 6:0**

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Chair: Frank Blau

PC Coordinator: Tammy Mueller

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Roberts Rules of Order applied: [RONR (10TH ed.), p. 451, 1. 25-28]